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Budget Expert Recognized

Senator Judd Gregg on May 3 presented Senate Budget Committee veteran Jim Hearn, Director for Federal Programs and Budget Process (Minority Staff), with an award recognizing his 12 years of outstanding service in the U.S. Senate.

"Jim Hearn is one of the most knowledgeable professionals in the budget business," said Senator Gregg. "It is a real credit to the Budget Committee to have individuals of his character and talent on our staff."

During his tenure, Jim has advised three sets of Budget Committee chairmen and staff directors, committee members, and others in the Senate and throughout the federal government on policy analysis and the federal budget. Prior to joining the Senate, Jim spent 10 years at the Congressional Budget Office. He holds a master's degree in public policy from the University of California Berkeley.

Jim is co-editor of and frequent contributor to the Committee's *Budget Bulletin*, a periodic newsletter that explains the budget issues and legislation for congressional, media, and other interested readership. For the 109th Congress, Jim was selected as a Stennis Congressional Staff Fellow, a bipartisan, bicameral fellowship for senior-level staff on Capitol Hill.



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